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POLYMER CONTAINING TRIPHENYLBORON  
 AND USE THEREOF  
 [Corresponding to PCT/JP00/04888  
 Filed July 21, 2000]

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
 Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants request consideration of ☒ the references listed on attached form PTO-1449 and/or ☐ the additional information identified below in paragraph 3. A legible copy of each reference listed on the form PTO-1449 and each U.S. patent application listed below is enclosed, except a copy is not provided for each reference previously cited by or submitted to the Patent Office in international application no. PCT/JP00/04888.

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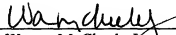
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